Minutes of The Heritage Committee Nov. 17, 2015 – Town Hall – 7 p.m.

Members present:

Jack Quinn, Arnie Magid, Chet Kuras, Roger Ives, Ray Wilcox

Absent: W. Hansen

Vice Chairman Jack Quinn called the meeting to order at 7 p.m.

He called for any Citizen Comment: None

Minutes: Mr. Magid moved to approve the minutes of the Sept. 15, 2015 meeting; Mr. Wilcox seconded. Mr. Quinn noted the minutes needed an amendment, to change the name of Roger Tracy, to Roger Ives. The Chairman called for a vote: the minutes of the Sept. 15, 2015 were approved as amended.

Farm Preservation – Open Space update: Mr. Wilcox noted that we will soon close on the purchase rights for two adjourning farms of approximately 100+ acres. He reported that the State has a funding grant to help new farmers. He stated that the Governor strongly supports the Farmland Preservation Act.

Conservation Commission update – Mr. Wilcox stated that the Commission activity has been rather quiet. The Commission is reviewing a proposal for a 50 acre hydroponic tomato farm. This would all be under glass and the project would start with ten acres at first. The location is on Poole Road. If approved this would create 30 jobs.

Zoning & Planning Commission – The Commission has had a very preliminary informal meeting with the Hydroponic Farm. The Commission approved a contract with CS Landscape Design and Construction of 2.631 acres of industrial land, lot 11-2 on the corner of East Street and Bennett Road and to send to Town Meeting.

WPCA - no report.

CVS – Mr Quinn reported a ribbon cutting ceremony for the new CVS opening. Mr. Laureno and approximate 30 people attended. Mr. Quinn did attend.

Having no further business, Mr. Magid moved to adjourn. The motion was seconded.

The meeting was voted adjourned at 8 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Bobbie C. Kling, Secretary HC.Minutes.Nov.17.2015.